District Hospital, Quilon.

362. *MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it has been brought to the notice of the Government that filthy water flowing out of the District Hospital compound, Quilon, at the main northern gate of the hospital, takes its course through the open gutter of the main road and causes great injury to the health and comfort of the travelling public, and

(*b*) if answer to the above is in the affirmative, the steps taken thereon?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: (*a*) and (*b*) There is an open drain in front of the hospital (Northern side) maintained by the P. W. D. Its repairs are being attended to.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know for how long this gutter was in this condition?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: It was brought to the notice of the department about two years ago.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know why it was allowed to lie in this manner for the last two years?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: The Municipality was addressed as it was thought that the Municipality was in charge of that drain. Later it was found that the P. W. D. was in charge of it.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether any complaint was made on the floor of the House in regard to this?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: I have no information, Sir.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether any personal enquiry has been made in the matter by the head of the department?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: Yes, Sir, and I have seen the drain myself.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether any report has been received from the authorities in Quilon?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: Yes, Sir, a report has been received from the Medical Officer in charge.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know why the Medical Officer in charge did not take steps to see that the gutter was filled in proper time?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: I do not think that this is his business, Sir.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether the honourable member is convinced that the gutter is in a most insanitary and unhealthy condition to the people of the Quilon town?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: I have said Sir, that the drain is not in a satisfactory condition. But I do not think that it is as bad as the honourable member makes out.

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MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know the nature of the repair?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: The P. W. D. is attending to the repair, Sir.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I know whether the drain is on the main road?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: Yes, Sir.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: Then is it not the legitimate duty of the Municipality to look after the sanitary arrangements and to attend to the repair to the drain?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: I should think so, Sir.

Fee Concessions.

363. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the students to whom fee concessions were granted during 1115 in the Malayalam and English Schools?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: The time and labour involved in collecting the required information is out of proportion to its possible utility.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: ഒരു വിദ്യാർത്ഥി ഫീസ് സൗജന്യത്തിനു അർഹനാണൊ അല്ലയൊ എന്നു തീരുമാനിക്കുന്ന പരമാധികാരി ആരാണു്?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: ഡയറക്ടരാണു്. ഹെഡ്മാസ്റ്റർമാർ തയ്യാറാക്കുന്ന ലിസ്റ്റ് ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർ പരിശോധിച്ചു ഡയറക്ടർക്കുഅയച്ചു ഡയറക്ടർ തീരുമാനിക്കുന്നു.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞ സമുദായത്തിൽ നിന്നു് ഹെഡ് മാസ്റ്റർമാരൊ ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർമാരൊ വളരെ കുറവാണെന്നു മെംബെക്കറിയാമല്ലൊ.

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: ആ അർത്ഥത്തിലും അറിയാം.

Appointment of Midwife at Thalayolaparambu.

364. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Public Health Department has received any petition for the appointment of a midwife at Thalayolaparambu; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter?

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

Village Panchayats.

365. *SRIMATI T. NARAYANI AMMA (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of Revenue Villages in Travancore;

(*b*) the number of places where Village Panchayats under Village Panchayats Act, VII of 1100, have been formed; and

(*c*) whether any scheme of rural reconstruction under which Village Panchayats may be made the units and their services actively and efficiently utilised therefor, has been submitted to or considered by the Government?

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